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Shedding Light on Energy Savings

Good-bye CFLs, Hello LEDs!

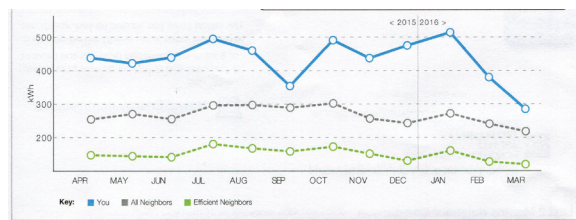
Within the next month, HPP staff will replace nearly 700 compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs) with more energy efficient LED bulbs in corridors and lobby areas. This important step will decrease HPP's energy consumption. Not only are LED bulbs more energy efficient than CFL bulbs, they are cool to the touch and have a much longer life span. Plus, 100% of the cost of these new LED bulbs will be covered by Hawaii Energy, the State's energy efficiency rebate program.

In the coming months HPP will also complete LED lighting upgrades in the garage, fitness center and stairwells. Where possible, HPP will incorporate motion sensors that will dim the lights when an area is not in use, resulting in even greater energy savings.



Have you considered upgrading your apartment's lighting? Now would be a great time! The price of LED bulbs has decreased in recent years and Hawaii Energy is offering owners instant rebates on both CFL and LED bulb purchases at approved stores (www.hawaiienergy.com).

HPP Board member Dennis Padlock happily reported at a recent Board meeting that his electric bill has dramatically decreased since he upgraded his apartment to LED Lighting. He recommends others join him.



The blue line graph shows how Dennis Padlock's electricity bill plunged dramatically after he installed LED lighting in his unit.

Get to Know Your Neighbors

Fran and Wayne Lau



Fran and Wayne have been married for 46 years, and have lived at Honolulu Park Place for 25 of those years.

As physically active individuals, they were attracted by the quality and variety of the condo's amenities which support a lifestyle of fitness and activity. In 1991, HPP offered a quantum leap in lifestyle and provided a template for the newer condominiums which followed. Wayne and Fran are still enamored by the ambiance created by the water features – the koi ponds and deck, the waterfall, and the majestic fountain fronting the building. Wayne never tires of his daily morning ritual of refreshing his senses by savoring the surroundings as he enjoys his cup of coffee on their lanai. The couple views HPP as “an oasis on the edge of Chinatown.”

Fran and Wayne maintain close-knit ties with their daughter and family who live in Hawaii Kai. Through the years, they have been devoted grandparents to their grandson, Ocean, now 17 years old, and to their 13-year old granddaughter, Heaven, supporting them in their educational endeavors and extra-curricular activities.

Wayne enthusiastically attests to Fran's “fabulous” culinary skills as do their friends who have been beneficiaries of her cooking. She enjoys events planning and hosting parties. Some years ago, Fran gave HPP residents a demonstration of the preparation of a meal (in less than an hour), which featured steamed onaga Chinese-style, an appetizer, starch, and dessert. She is up to giving another food demonstration for HPP residents.

Wayne and Fran would like to take this opportunity to express their heartfelt appreciation to all who served Honolulu Park Place since 1991— members of the Board of Directors, Board of Governors, Managers, office personnel, security, maintenance, and custodial staff.

-Interview by Mimi Yoshikawa
Photo: Gary Everest

Meet Eddie and Steven

Originally from Micronesia, **"Eddie" Olap** has lived 25 years in Hawaii. He has several years of maintenance and security experience in condominiums and hotels. His prior workplaces include Pearl Harbor, Ala Wai Plaza, 1350 Ala Moana, and the Pagoda Hotel.

While four of our maintenance personnel are involved in A/C maintenance and other areas of maintenance, Eddie's primary responsibility is taking care of the swimming pool, jacuzzi, koi deck, and the fountain. Have you noticed how well our staff has maintained these areas?

English is Eddie's second language, Chuukese being his first language. Besides his passion for fishing, he enjoys playing and listening to music.

Steven Kufas is from the main island of Yap, where he served for 6 years as a police officer and for 3 years as part of the maintenance staff in a local factory. He also has experience as a heavy equipment operator and has been involved in the construction of roads and airport renovations.



Before joining the staff at HPP, Steven worked in maintenance at the Ko'olani luxury condominium where he was in charge of landscaping.

At HPP, Steven's primary responsibility is maintenance of the A/C units. But when he works on Saturdays, he is responsible for all facets of maintenance work including mechanical checks of the chillers, the cooling tower, and the hot water tanks.

In addition to English, Steven speaks three Yapese languages as do his wife, his 6-year old daughter and 4-year old son.

Both Steven and Eddie appreciate the work environment at HPP.

-Interview by Mimi Yoshikawa. Photos: Gary Everest

Massage Therapy at HPP

It's therapy for your body, mind and spirit!

By appointment only. \$50/hour massage; \$80/hour & half. Gift certificates are available.

Susan Lovinger, phone 808-324-6402. Mondays and Wednesdays, 4 pm-9 pm; Saturdays, Noon to 6 pm. Licensed Massage Therapist since 1985 specializing in Deep Tissue Massage, Sports Massage, Hawaiian Lomi Lomi, Shiatsu, Ortho-Bionomy, and Clinical Massage

Louanne Cossa, phone 808-393-3199. Wednesdays and Thursdays, 10am-3pm; Tuesdays and Fridays, 11am-7pm. Licensed Massage Therapist since 1994 specializing in Acupressure, Deep Tissue Massage, Geriatric Massage, Lymphatic Drainage, Neuro muscular, Pregnancy Massage, Reflexology, Shiatsu, Sports Massage and Swedish Massage



Only YOU Can Prevent Accidents!

The speed limit in the parking garage is **5 mph** — a lot slower that you think! The speed limit is there to prevent accidents —especially if you have a large vehicle, it is virtually impossible "to stay within the lines" when making the turns and going down the ramps.

In fact, some people even posted to Yelp: *the PARKING GARAGE is AWFUL. It's very narrow and hardly any of the residents follow the speed limit. . . The only real complaint I have about this building is the lousy parking structure. WAY NARROW!!! If you have a bigger car, beware. I've already incurred damage to a car on the side; and I pride myself as being a pretty decent driver (no accidents outside of this incident)*

If there is oncoming traffic, you jeopardize both your own safety as well as that of "the other guy" if you're driving too fast.

Please, everyone — SLOW DOWN!



25 Years at HPP!



We are pleased to add the following to our list of owner-occupants who have been residing at Honolulu Park Place since its opening in May 1991: **Robert**

and Gail Jackson, Teresa Mandac, Gayle Matsuo, Harry and Charlotte Otsuji, Jim and Sally Stuart, Paul Takayesu. Beginning with Fran and Wayne Lau, we will begin a series of "Get to know your neighbors," and have started interviewing original owners.

Have you tried

the Saturday Brunch menu at the Real Food Cafe? Call 271-7052 to order.

Cinnamon Bread French Toast	\$ 7.50
Breakfast Panini or Custom Omelette	8.95
<i>includes eggs, cheese, and/or bacon</i>	
<i>served with mixed greens</i>	
Breakfast Pizza	13.00
Expresso Drinks	2.00
Smoothies	4.00
Fresh Salads	8.50
Sandwiches and Sliders	8.75
Artisan Pizzas	10.00-13.00

